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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 13, 2004, please amend the above identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 9.